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25X1 1. Shortly after completing [] pre-military training []
25X1 [] the prospective inductee from Mukachevo (N 48-26,
25X1 E 22-43) would receive at his home his notice to appear the following
25X1 day at a prescribed time at the Voenkomat. If the inductee failed to
25X1A appear within an hour of his specific reporting time, the militia (see
[]) was then alerted with instructions to pick him up. Once
apprehended, delinquents were court-martialed and sentenced to serve
about twice as much time in the army as was usual.
2. Draft evasion reached its peak in 1948. In that year 90 per cent of
draft-eligible men went into hiding to escape being called to active
25X1 duty. [] almost all of the evaders were eventually caught
and court-martialed. [] they were still serving in 1952.
- 25X1 3. In order to cope with the outbreak of draft evasion attempts, the Soviet
Army adopted stricter policies, such as allowing only a minimum time lapse
25X1 between the date of a man's eligibility and the date he was called.
Draft evasion decreased sharply as a result, and by 1952 []
it was almost non-existent.

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